Appln No. 10/789,360 Reply to Office Action of November 16, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action dated November 16, 2004, has been reviewed and the

comments carefully considered.

In the Office Action, various issues and questions are raised concerning the description of the variety. By the amendments in the accompanying Substitute

Specification, Applicant has made a bona fide effort to address all issues and questions.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement dated July 15,

2004 and the corresponding Form PTO SB/08A/B. The documents listed under "Other

Documents" are enclosed, including an "Explanation for IDS Documents", 1999-2000

Seed and Plant Catalog (4 pages); Suntory Collection Catalog 2004 (3 pages).

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner consider these documents as part of the

IDS.

In view of the foregoing amendment and response, it is believed that the

application is in condition for allowance and, accordingly, reconsideration and allowance

is earnestly solicited.

If any questions remain regarding the allowability of the application, Applicant

would appreciate if the Examiner would advise the undersigned by telephone.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16

and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please

show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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